

State of Misconsin 2003 - 2004 LEGISLATURE

2003 ASSEMBLY BILL 671

November 13, 2003 – Introduced by Representatives WASSERMAN, VUKMIR, F. LASEE, TAYLOR and HAHN, cosponsored by Senator M. MEYER. Referred to Committee on Health.

1 AN ACT *to amend* 153.01 (4t) of the statutes; **relating to:** exempting certain 2 ambulatory surgery centers and other medical clinics from health care 3 information data requirements and annual assessments.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, as affected by 2003 Wisconsin Act 33 (the biennial budget act), the Department of Health and Facility Services (DHFS) collects health care information from health care providers, and analyzes and disseminates the information to interested parties, except that, by September 2003, the Department of Administration must contract with an entity to collect the health care information from hospitals and ambulatory surgery centers, beginning within 18 months after the date of the contract.

Also under current law, as affected by the biennial budget act, DHFS must annually assess health care providers (except, beginning July 1, 2004, hospitals and ambulatory surgery centers) for, among other things, the DHFS costs for health care data collection, database development and maintenance, and generation of data files and standard reports. DHFS must estimate these costs and determine the amounts of the assessments by subtracting, from the cost estimate, the estimated revenue DHFS will obtain from charging user fees for health care data reports generated by DHFS. A health care provider that is not a facility may not be assessed more than \$75 each fiscal year.

This bill exempts those ambulatory surgery centers and other medical clinics that employ 20 or fewer physicians from the collection of health care information and assessments by DHFS, beginning on July 1, 2004.

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For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

1	SECTION 1. 153.01 (4t) of the statutes is amended to read:
2	153.01 (4t) "Health care provider" has the meaning given in s. 146.81 (1) and
3	includes an ambulatory surgery center, other than an ambulatory surgery center
4	that employs 20 or fewer physicians. "Health care provider" does not include any
5	other medical clinic that employs 20 or fewer physicians.
6	SECTION 2. Initial applicability.
7	(1) This act first applies to assessments under section 153.60 (1) of the statutes
8	for fiscal year 2004–05.
9	SECTION 3. Effective date.
10	(1) This act takes effect on July 1, 2004.
11	(END)